OST MANAGEMENT MEETING MARCH 28, 2016

Aquatic Life

Cadmium

• HECD (Mike Elias) briefed Joel Beauvais on the final cadmium final Aquatic Life Criteria on March 23 prior to signature and release the criteria on the planned date of March 30. The criteria reflect addition of toxicity data on 75 additional freshwater species since the last criteria update in 2001. The driver for updating the cadmium criteria was a lawsuit brought by Northwest Environmental Advocates following EPA's 2013 disapproval of Oregon's freshwater acute cadmium criterion. The EPA's disapproval triggered a CWA duty for the EPA to propose a replacement criterion for Oregon. The disapproval stemmed from a jeopardy call for endangered salmonids for the acute freshwater criteria. OST is working to meet the pending consent decree with NWEA to propose acute cadmium criteria for Oregon by March 31, 2016 and finalize by January 16, 2017. The criteria provide the scientific basis for the criteria rulemaking,

Selenium

 HECD (Joe Beaman) kicked off the final Agency workgroup review of the selenium chronic Aquatic Life Criterion on March 15. The Agency review will close on April 15.
 Following subsequent revision of the document, the criterion will be released as final in June 2016.

Regional Assistance

HECD provided technical assistance this week to:

Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

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HHRAB

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Nutrients

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